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SUBJ: MAURITANIAN FONMIN CUTS SHORT AFRICAN MISSION RE MID-EAST

REF: NOUAKCHOTT 1015

1. OCTOBER 23 FOR MIN MOAKNASS RETURNED TO NOUAKCHOTT CUTTING SHORT HIS MISSION TO CHIEFS OF STATE OF GAMBIA, SIERRA-LEONE, NIGERIA, GHANA, LIBERIA AND ETHIOPIA CONCERNING THE MID-EAST SITUATION (REFTEL. MOUKNASS EXPLAINED THAT SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS TO END THE FIGHTING DICTATED HE RETURN FOR CONSULTATIONS WITH THE PRESIDENT. FONMIN HAD VISITED ONLY GAMBIA, THE FIRST OF HIS PLANNED STOPS; STATED GAMBIAN PRESIDENT HAD BEEN PLEASED WITH OULD DADDAH'S MESSAGE.

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2. IF, AS WE ASSUME, FON MIN'S MISSION WAS TO PRESSURE

AFRICAN STATES TO BREAK OR LIMIT RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL, THIS
TASK CAN BE RESUMED DEPENDING ON DIPLOMATIC DEVELOPMENT AT UN.
(PRESS REPORT OF MOUKNASS' RETURN REFERRED ONLY TO AN "INTER-
RUPTION" OF HIS MISSION NOT CANCELLATION.) PRESIDENT OULD DADDAH
WILL MISS NO OPPORTUNITY TO COMMIT HIS DIPLOMATIC FORCES TO THE
ARAB CAUSE NOW THAT THE STRUGGLE HAS BEGUN TO SHIFT TO THE UN,
ESPECIALLY IN VIEW MAURITANIA'S IMPENDING SECURITY COUNCIL
MEMBERSHIP.
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